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Synopsis of Episode Thirteen.....Behind the Curtain /

As the assassin plunges the knife into Jack Bain, Doris, in the secret niche, faints. The cunning Politician who is responsible for the coronation tragedy, takes her away.

Below in the secret coronation room, all is confusion. The Priest who presented Jack as the people's revolutionary King is surrounded by a howling mob. Jack has been struck down by the hand of an assassin. Joel Bain, Jack's father, has slain the assassin, and now bends over his boy who lies, seemingly lifeless on the steps of the throne. The mob surges this way and that. Finally, despairing of his boy's life, Joel rises majestically, mounts the top-most step of the throne, and with an imperious gesture, silences the mob.

He turns to his boy and whispers "Sleep well, my boy, I'll make them pay for this!"...To the mob he says:

"You who are my mother's people, look at me, the son of the Princess Joi!....Your young Prince, my son, lies here, struck down by one of my mother's people -- by the hand of one of you - the young Prince who was to lead you to freedom. But a Prince of the royal blood remains - in me, whose mother was your Princess!" Then he turns to the nearest native. "Give me my crown!" he commands, and the crown is placed in his hands. He sets it on his head. "You look for a leader!" he shouts, "I will lead you!" Joel's whole object now is to assume the leadership of these people, and lead them to destruction, as a fitting revenge for the slaying of Jack.

"Go!" orders Joel, and the people file out. When they have gone, and only Joel, the villainous Priest, the wounded Jack,

and the unconscious Alan Marsh remain, Joel turns to the Priest. He believes his son dead. "My business is not here with the dead", he tells the Priest, "but with the living who have brought this death about. Lead me to your principle men -- I must take counsel with them!"

Joel and the Priest leave together. When they have gone, Alan Marsh revives, and notes that Jack is not yet dead. He picks him up and carries him off to the house of the American Doctor where first aid is applied.

Joel takes counsel with the principle men of the place, and arranges a plan to lead the revolt into the open. He does not tell them that his idea is that a foreign army will crush the revolt, and he will be avenged. The counselors leave. Susanne and Jerry Engleson arrive. Joel, half out of his mind, will have nothing to do with them, but sends them away to the American Doctor's house, with his chief guardsman as guide. He forces the villainous Priest to stay with him.

Jerry and Susanne do not go to the American Doctor Stark's house, but instead to the house of the Politician who holds Joel Bain's other child, Doris. They force an entrance to the house, in the hope of rescuing Doris. Upstairs, Doris is the prisoner of the politician and his men.

Meanwhile, Joel has gathered some warriors, and bids their leader to take him to the stronghold of the leader of the opposition revolutionary party - those who were immediately responsible for the death of his son. He must be avenged with his own hands.

Joel and his party approach the politician's house.

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They are seen as they approach, and the Politician gathers all of his men to defend his stronghold. The politician also induces Doris to appear on the balcony of the house and urge the defenders not to allow the invaders to enter. She acts as the leader of the Politician's forces, under the delusion that in so doing she is saving her life.

A terrific battle ensues between the Politician's forces defending the house, under the leadership of Doris, and Joel's forces trying to force an entrance. Joel's forces win, and Joel, at their head rushes in. He enters the room on the balcony of which Doris is urging her men below to beat off the invaders. A curtain hides the balcony from view. Joel is told that the leader of the enemy forces is on the balcony. Not knowing it is Doris, he strides to the curtain and discharges his revolver through it.

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